



**THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

Date Of Notice: February 8, 2003

**NOTICE OF COMBINED FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT/
MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

AND

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

LDR No. 42-0233

Project No. 3498

City of San Diego
Development Services Department
LAND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW DIVISION
1222 First Avenue, Fifth Floor
San Diego, CA 92101
(619) 446-5460

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of San Diego

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about **February 24, 2003**, the City of San Diego WILL REQUEST THE U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to release Federal funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383) for the following:

SUBJECT: Ocean Beach Library COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT (CDP) AND REQUEST FOR THE RELEASE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS in the amount of \$2,000,000 from Fiscal Year 2000 to allow for the acquisition of a gas service station and commercial office building to allow for a 18,500 square foot expansion, and preservation and restoration of the Ocean Beach Library located at 4801, 4817-4823 Santa Monica Boulevard, and 1902 Sunset Cliffs Boulevard in the Ocean Beach Community Planning Area, City/County of San Diego. The proposed project would involve the construction of a poetry garden, restoration and preservation of City of San Diego Historic Site No. 565, and construction of an adjacent parking lot. Applicant: City of San Diego Public Buildings and Parks Division, Engineering and Capital Projects Department

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA: Ocean Beach

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 2

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of San Diego has determined that the project will have no significant effect on the environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) and/or an Environmental Impact Report under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) is not required, and a combined Finding of No Significant Impact (NEPA)/Mitigated Negative Declaration (CEQA) was prepared. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file

at Land Development Review Division, Fifth Floor, 1222 First Avenue, San Diego, CA 92101 and may be examined or copied weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

To request this Finding of No Significant Impact/Mitigated Negative Declaration, Environmental Assessment/Initial Study and/or supporting documents in alternative format, call the Development Services Department at (619) 446-5460 immediately to ensure availability. This information is ALSO available in alternative formats for persons with disabilities. To request this notice in alternative format, call (619) 446-5446 or (800) 735-2929 (TEXT TELEPHONE). For environmental review information, contact John Alabado at (619) 446-5324. For information regarding public meetings/hearings on this project, contact P.J. Fitzgerald at (619) 446-5240.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the project may submit written comments to Lawrence C. Monserrate, Land Development Review Division, 1222 First Avenue, Fifth Floor, MS 501, San Diego, CA 92101. All comments received by March 9, 2003 will be considered by Land Development Review. Comments should specify which notice they are addressing.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City of San Diego certifies to HUD that Bruce Herring in his capacity as Certifying Officer consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows the City of San Diego to use Program Funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of San Diego's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of San Diego; (b) the City of San Diego has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the grant recipient has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58) and shall be addressed to Environmental Clearance Officer, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 611 West 6th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90017. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

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